

## 'TIS THE SEASON TO BE JOLLY



WHILE THE crepe hangers were busy hanging crepe, a la depression, repression, inflation, deflation et al, etc., etc., Ol' Santa Claus came to town Saturday, as expected, and

several hundred youngsters walked, rode and skated down Main street in the Porterville Merchants' annual Christmas parade, and everyone, even hurrying parents, seemed to

enjoy themselves, which indicates that maybe what folks need about now is an old-fashioned shot of traditional Christmas cheer. At any rate, the Tribune camera caught the above.

## TAXPAYERS PLAN OPPOSITION MEETING TO OSHA ORDER ON MANDATORY TRACTOR ROLL BARS

VISALIA — Tulare County Taxpayers' association is sponsoring a meeting at 7:30 p.m. December 18, in the Sierra room of the Visalia Convention center to air opposition to the mandatory installation of Roll-Bars on open flat-land vehicles and tractors working in flat land orchards. Scheduled to attend the meeting are Congressman-Elect John Krebs and Assemblyman Gordon Duffy; Congressman Bernie Sisk will also attend if Congress has adjourned.

"The intent of this meeting is to advise our government representatives that the growers and producers in the San Joaquin valley cannot live with Safety Order 3651 as it is presently written," reports Dean Testerman, TCTA president.

"The roll-over protection structures designated for agriculture were designed for construction vehicles. They are highly impractical in orchards,

and in fact can be quite hazardous. They are not necessary on flat land or open

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## Draft Horse Association To Promote Events

VISALIA — Directors of the California Draft Horse association met last night at Alma's Ranch house to discuss association activities and competitive events involving the "big horses."

Tentatively under discussion is a major show in southeastern Tulare county, possibly in the early spring.

President of the three-month-old association is Bill Vines, of Bakersfield. Vice president is Robert Grant, of Visalia. Local-area member is Alan Hammond, of Porterville.

## Make It Yourself With Wool Contest Won By Debra Todd

DUCOR — Debra Todd, Ducor 4-H, was junior division winner in "Make It Yourself With Wool" contest in Bakersfield, Saturday, and will enter state competition at King City, January 11-12.

Miss Todd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Todd, is in her eighth year of 4-H club activity at Ducor, carrying a clothing project each year. At present she also has six other projects and is active in the 4-H horse division; she is a sophomore at Monache high school.

Outfit made and modelled by Miss Todd was a Navy blue, red, white and tan plaid jacket and Navy blue slacks, both completely lined and hand saddle-stitched in red. With her outfit Miss Todd chose a red shell and red shoes.

Senior division winner was Maureen Heffernan, of Lancaster, who will also enter

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DEBRA TODD  
(Recorder photo)

## ASC GROUP TO ORGANIZE NEXT TUESDAY

VISALIA — The Tulare ASC County convention will be held on Tuesday, December 17, at 10:00 a.m. in the Tulare County ASCS office, 3346 West Mineral King avenue, Visalia. The meeting is open to the public.

Purpose of the convention is to elect committeemen and alternates to fill vacancies on the county committee and to determine the chairman and vice-chairman for the coming year.

## Board Is Organized For 28th Fair; Mosconi, Trimmell Named Directors

PORTERVILLE — Two new members - Joe Mosconi and John Trimmell - were seated on the Porterville Fair board at December board meeting held in the Southern California Gas company office.

Mosconi has been active for several years in promotion of the fair's livestock auction, also in assisting with a number of projects related to the fair.

Trimmell, who exhibited at the Porterville fair more than 25 years ago, is a former board member. He served in the 1960s until business interests resulted in his moving away from the community; he is now a Porterville resident again.

Mosconi and Trimmell were named to a committee to develop a new plan for handling

the fair's livestock sales account which has increased in volume to a point where it is difficult for a



Mosconi Trimmell

single bank to administer it as has been done in past years. They will report at January 8 meeting of the fair board.

Seating of Mosconi and

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## We Only Heard

By BILL RODGERS

SINCE NO one has asked our opinion we'll volunteer a suggestion that Christmas decorations along the Emigrant trail are skimpy, scattered, inadequate, insufficient, deficient, in arrears, and incomplete, to say nothing of being sadly lacking in anything that even remotely resembles class... Better than wasting energy on such a sad display, someone should of stood in bed.

OUR APOLOGIES to Edwards Studio and to Jim Canfield for missing the courtesy line on the photos of the Panther Band Halftime show in the L.A. Coliseum that we printed November 28... Jim, the photographer on the firing line, did an excellent job.

SOONER OR later the Porterville chamber of commerce should get out of the business of promoting sales events. The chamber is a promotional agency on the total community level; sales events are promotional activities on the retail level. Both types of promotion are necessary and desirable in a going community - but retail promotions should be handled by them as is in retailing... Come to think of it, we've been saying that for 25 years and nothing has changed yet. But come to think of it again, a few years back Porterville used to run right behind Visalia in retail sales, with Tulare trailing a weak third. Now Visalia is way out in front, Tulare has moved into second place; Porterville is trailing in third... Which could well mean that Porterville needs some aggressive hard-sell retail sales promotion, plus more

imaginative merchandising.

**SHORT SHOTS:** Abraham Lincoln did not make those quickie statements so often attributed to him and which appeared on a Veterans' Day Parade float... An entry in a Christmas parade should be a Christmas parade entry which an undecorated bus ain't... Elected officials who vote for any program that increases the total public budget get the back of our political hand come the 1976 election... Powers that be in Springville should be plugging for development of the Moses-Maggie winter sports area, not cancelling a meeting concerning the proposed project. Incidentally, this development is something that will come, if it comes, in future years, not day after tomorrow... Some enterprising salesman should be able to sell the City of Porterville a bushel basket of birth control pills - pigeon birth control.

### ALMEIDA HEIFER TOPS ASSOCIATION

VISALIA - A grade Holstein, first-calf heifer, owned by John F. Almeida, of Tulare, topped the Tulare County Dairy Herd Improvement association during the month of October with a production record of 20,661 pounds of milk and 715 pounds of butterfat during her 305-day lactation.

U.S. exports of breeding animals - beef, dairy and swine - are expected to set new records in 1974.

## December 31 Deadline To Register Brands

SACRAMENTO - California livestock owners have until December 31 to renew brand registrations for 1975 with the state Department of Food and Agriculture.

Hans Van Nes, chief of the department's Bureau of Livestock Identification, stated, "Any brand owner who for some reason did not receive a notice is still responsible for getting his renewal in on time. He may do this by sending the \$10 renewal fee plus a brand description to the Bureau of Livestock Identification, 1220 N Street, Sacramento 95814, by December 31."

Annual renewal of livestock brand registration is required by California law and assures an accurate and up-to-date record of brands and brand owners. There are currently some 36,000 brands registered with the department.

## DRINKING DRIVERS FACE POLICE ACTION

SACRAMENTO - An increase in drinking drivers "unfortunately characterizes the Thanksgiving-through-New Year's holiday period and enforcement necessarily moves up several notches," CHP Commissioner Dan Lanza said. Lanza predicted "25,000 drunk driver arrests during November and December. During the first 10 months of 1974 we arrested 103,874 drunks, about 10,000 per month. We'll increase that as much as 25 percent during this critical period."

CHP drunk driving arrests totaled just under 120,000 in 1973, an all-time high which should be exceeded by eight or ten thousand this year.

Municipal police emphasis goes up correspondingly during the holiday period. "City officers as a group typically match or slightly exceed CHP totals, so the drinking driver can expect real pressure this year."

Cattle and calves being fattened for slaughter in California feed lots on November 1 totalled 923,000 head, 26 percent below a year ago.

## FARM FRONT

VISALIA - Crops are still moving in Tulare county according to report of activity on the farm front from Agricultural Commissioner Clyde R. Churchill for the week ending December 7.

Small grain planting is still underway with some earlier planted grain up and growing well.

Second picking of cotton is continuing; picked fields are being shredded and disced; some fields being planted to small grains.

Pruning of deciduous trees and grapevines is underway. Emperor grapes are moving from storage with some going to export markets. Deciduous nurseries are digging fruit trees.

Navel oranges are being picked and packed with color and test improving. Lemons and Algerian tangerines are also being harvested.

Cauliflower, tomatoes, green onions and Chinese cabbage being harvested; spinach has been planted for processing.

Rangeland feeds progressing well with good moisture conditions; some supplemental cattle feeding is still necessary.

### PIGEON SEASON

SACRAMENTO - Band-tailed pigeon season opens Saturday, with limit of eight birds per day and eight in possession. Shooting hours are one-half hour before sunrise to sunset. Season runs through January 12.

### MILK HEARING

SACRAMENTO - An adjustment in the minimum prices which milk plants pay to dairy farmers for market milk will be considered at a public hearing in Sacramento on December 16. The hearing for all California Milk Marketing areas will begin at 9 a.m. in the Sacramento-El Dorado room, Activities building, Sacramento Community Convention center, 1100 14th street.

### CATTLE RECOVERED

SACRAMENTO - The California Department of Food and Agriculture has announced that 3,029 head of strayed or stolen cattle have been recovered and returned to their rightful owners by state brand inspectors during the first ten months of this year. Livestock rustling arrests were up in 1974, with 92 reported cases.

### MEETING

WASHINGTON - American Farm Bureau Federation will hold its 55th annual meeting in New Orleans, January 5-9. Entertainment will include Al Hirt and his band, also the Preservation Hall Dixieland Jazz band.

## GUADALUPE ROSALEZ IN BASIC TRAINING

VISALIA - Guadalupe J. Rosalez, a 1974 graduate of Porterville High school, is now in basic training at Lackland Air Force base, San Antonio, Texas. Under the Air Force guaranteed job program, she will enter technical school at Chanute Air Force base in Illinois as an aircraft maintenance specialist.

## GILBERT MARTINEZ JOINS AIR FORCE

VISALIA - Gilbert G. Martinez, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fortino Martinez, of Woodville, has enlisted in the U.S. Air Force as a fire protection specialist under a guaranteed job program.

## JOHN DEVINE JR. IN AIR FORCE

VISALIA - John Devine Jr., a 1972 graduate of Porterville High school, has enlisted in the U.S. Air Force under a guaranteed job program as a security specialist. He will report for duty on February 3.

## RICKY SHEPPARD IN AIR FORCE

VISALIA - Ricky A. Sheppard, a 1973 graduate from Monache High school, has enlisted in the U.S. Air Force under a guaranteed job program as a security specialist. He will report February 10, 1975.

### PEACH HEARING

SACRAMENTO - California Food and Agriculture Director C.B. Christensen has set December 19 for a public hearing in Sacramento on a Proposed Processors Marketing Order for Clingstone Peaches, as Amended. The hearing will begin at 9 a.m. in the auditorium of the Veterans Affairs Building, 1227 O street.

Bakersfield college downtown center will open January 13.

Tangerine, grapefruit and lemon harvest in California producing areas is at normal seasonal levels.

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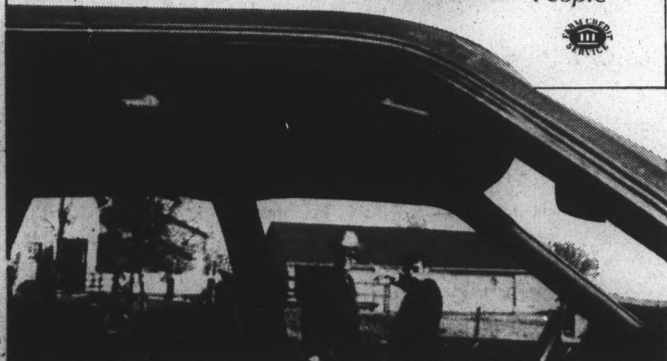
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## SUCCESS VALLEY 4-H CONDUCTS BUSINESS MEET

**SUCCESS VALLEY** — Success Valley 4-H members had their regular meeting, presided over by President Tracy Gill. Flag salute was led by Shaun Conrad and 4-H pledge by Alan Gill, club secretary.

Sandy King, Shaun Conrad, Darin Larson, and Alan Gill reported on Boy's Cooking; Beef meeting was reported on by Alan Gill and Julie Chamberlain; Vicky Wardlaw and Troy Paulson reported on the sheep meeting; Judy Chamberlain reported on the Girls Cooking class.

Cynthia Murray, Sandy King,

and Vicky Wardlaw reported on exchanged students who came with the city youth Farm exchange.

Officer pins were handed out to Vice-President Vicky Wardlaw, Secretary Alan Gill, Treasurer Kelly Gill, and Reporter Terisa King.

Tracy Gill is serving as president for a second term - and received her pin last year; a new gavel for the club was presented to her.

Third 4-H medals were awarded to Terisa King, top ticket salesman for the Chuck Wagon breakfast, Julie Chamberlain second, and Ruben

Hernandez third. Each member received a small 4-H button for his effort in selling tickets.

Recreation buttons were presented to this year's recreation leaders, Julie Chamberlain, and Lisa Davis.

One hundred percent attendance pins for 1973-74 were earned by the following members: Lisa Davis, Kelly Gill, Terisa King, Sandy King, Vicky Wardlaw, Alan Gill, and Tracy Gill.

Julie Chamberlain and Lisa Davis, recreation leaders, led the group in songs; after adjournment refreshment were served.

## CAL-OSHA ROLL BAR ISSUE IMPORTANT MEETING

**Wednesday - Dec. 18 - 7:30 PM**

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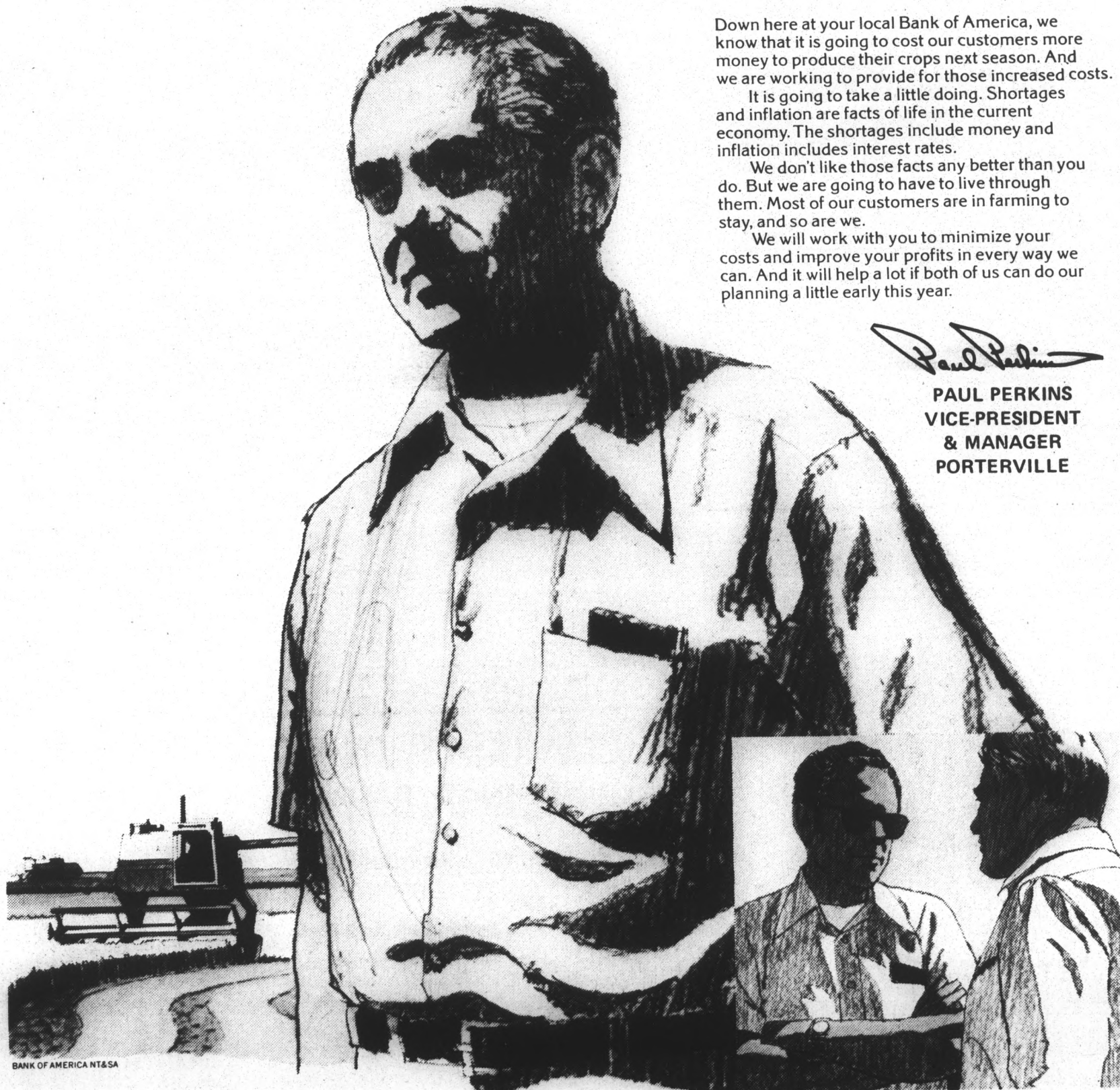
Congressman-Elect John Krebs and Assemblyman Gordon Duffy will act as a sounding board for farm equipment owners effected by Safety Order 3651 for mandatory ROPS on all Farm Tractors.

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## COLLEGE CLASS REGISTRATIONS UNDERWAY FOR SPRING SEMESTER

PORTERVILLE — Fall semester final examinations at Porterville College will begin on Monday, December 16, and will continue for one week, according to a schedule announced by Dr. Jackson Hargis, dean of instruction.

The week of December 19-13 has been designated as "Dead Week" on campus, with no field trips, major tests or off-campus activities to be scheduled.

The fall semester will end on Friday, December 20, the last day of finals, and the spring semester will begin on Monday, January 13, following the Christmas holidays.

Registration for spring semester classes at the college is continuing in both day and evening divisions. Dr. Paul R. Kercher, vice president and dean of students, said registration to date is well ahead of that at the same time last year, and a number of classes already have closed.

Registration for day classes may be made from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Evening class registration is from 1 to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 6:30-9:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

Celery acreage in California, as of December 1, was 6,310, compared to 7,430 a year ago.

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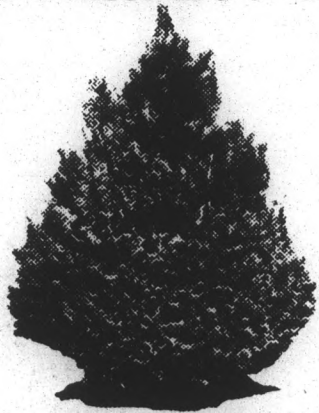
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## DISPOSAL SITES HOURS CHANGED

VISALIA — All county disposal sites have had their operating hours changed from 9:30-5:30 to 9:00-5:00 on the days which they are now operated.

Three disposal sites are operated on a seven-day-a-week schedule. The sites which are open on Sunday are the Visalia Disposal site, road 80 at avenue 330; the Teapot Dome (Porterville) disposal site, avenue 128 at road 208; and the Woodville disposal site, road 152 at avenue 198.

All disposal sites are closed on the following holidays: New Year's day, Memorial day, Independence day, Labor day, Thanksgiving day, and Christmas day.

### STATE LAND DISPOSAL STUDIED

SACRAMENTO — Assemblyman Gordon Duffy (R-Hanford) has announced that he has been assured by the Department of General services that no final action will be taken regarding the surplus land at Porterville State hospital, which formerly was part of the sewer treatment facility, until all local organizations, including county and city, have been given ample opportunity to develop and present plans to preserve the property.

"Hundreds of citizens have contacted me regarding the fate of the Blue Heron rookery located on this land. I am pleased to announce that all efforts to dispose of the property have been temporarily suspended. A decision by the Department of Health as to whether or not they recommend an additional 30 acres be declared surplus will be made in the near future. If this were to happen, it will be included in the 1975 Omnibus bill and would become effective January 1, 1976. At that time, the entire 186 acres would be made available to local agencies at 50% of its market value under provisions of the Government Code," stated Duffy.

"At present, the Department of Fish and Game does not feel the wildlife values are sufficient to warrant acquisition of the property, since the Blue Heron is not considered an endangered species. However, I intend to coordinate any efforts made by local citizens to develop plans to preserve this property and will be watching closely the decision made by the Department of General services," Duffy said.

## National Acreage And Production Goals Set For Cotton In 1975

VISALIA — The U.S. department of agriculture has announced that the 1975 Upland Cotton program will have a National acreage of 11,000,000 acres and a production goal of 12,559,000 standard bales of 480 pounds, net weight, according to Gene Bennett, county executive director for the local ASCS office. The acreage allotment is the same as for 1974 and the production goal compares with 14,802,000 bales for this year.

Also announced was a target price of 38 cents per pound - unchanged from 1974. The Agriculture and Consumer Protection act of 1973 provides that if the average market price received by farmers for cotton during calendar year 1975 is below the target price of 38 cents per pound, participating producers will be paid the difference between the target price and the higher of the loan level or the average farm price.

The farm allotment does not limit the amount of cotton a producer can plant, but is computed only for the purpose of making payments should a payment be required. Failure to plant at least 90 percent of the farm allotment will result in a reduction in any payment due and could result in a reduction of up to 20 percent in the 1976 farm allotment.

Total payments to any person under one or more of the annual programs for cotton, feed grain or wheat are limited to \$20,000.

The department had announced other major program provisions earlier. On August 26

### AGREEMENT APPROVED FOR COLLEGE

BAKERSFIELD — An agreement between Porterville college and the State of California, Department of Health, has been authorized by the Kern Community College District board to provide a program of training for psychiatric technicians, with the Porterville State hospital to provide clinical facilities.

The agreement is identical in concept with a previous agreement that provides \$40,650 to conduct a program of instruction for 30 students from January 13, 1975 to May 21, 1976, according to Dr. Orlin Shires, Porterville College president.

USDA said there will be no acreage set-aside or conserving base requirements under the upland cotton, or the feed grain and wheat programs next year. On October 31 the Department announced a preliminary base loan rate of 34.27 cents per pound for 1975 cotton.

The 1973 act also provides participating farmers with income protection against disasters. Producers who are prevented from planting any portion of their allotment to cotton because of a natural disaster or other condition beyond their control, or who, because of such disaster or condition are prevented from harvesting at least two-thirds of their normal production may qualify for disaster payments on the production shortfall.

### 1,500 CHILDREN IN CHRISTMAS PARADE SATURDAY

PORTERVILLE — The 1974 Children's Christmas parade, one of the largest Christmas parades ever to have marched down Porterville's Main street according to Bill Shurtz, chairman of the Christmas parade committee, had, by actual count over 1,500 children participating.

A \$25.00 cash prize went to the two first place float winners: Girl Scout Troop No. 137 for the best Biblical float and Girl Scout Troop No. 136 for the best Fairy Tale entry.

Brownie troop No. 225 received a \$10.00 cash award for the best costumed group and Cub Scout troop No. 160 a \$15.00 cash award for the best decorated car.

Diane Wilson's Twirlerettes earned a \$15.00 cash prize for the best baton group; a \$10.00 gift certificate was presented to Lisa Ann Wall for the best costumed entry; a \$10.00 gift certificate went to Kittrell bicycles for the best decorated bicycle.

Six \$5.00 gift certificates were presented to individual costumed entries receiving honorable mention: Bryan Goodion, Debra Simmons, Trudy Dunlap, Jean and Steven Sjostrand, and Julie Furr and Lori Webb.

### PSYCH. TECH.

PORTERVILLE — Openings still exist in both the Psychiatric Technology and Nurse Aide/Orderly courses which will open at Porterville college with the beginning of the spring semester on Monday, January 13, 1975. Additional information concerning the programs may be obtained by calling Mrs. Peggy Gould at 781-3130, extension 17, or by writing to her in care of Porterville College, 900 South Main street.

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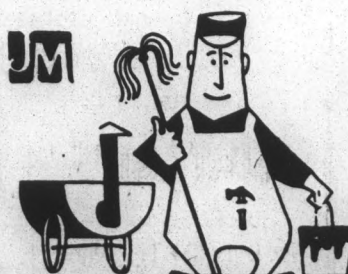
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ground. "While we agree that the health and safety of the employee must be safeguarded, there are also many owners who operate their own tractors. I'm sure they value their lives as much as those of their employees."

Testerman further stated, "We feel the California Occupational Safety and Health Standards board should amend and revise Safety Order 3651 for ROPS, and I urge every farmer owning farm tractors on the flat

lands of the San Joaquin valley to attend this meeting, or they just might have to retrain their fruit trees and orchards as advised by a Cal-OSHA spokesman." All interested persons are invited to attend the Wednesday meeting.

### WATER USERS

VISALIA — Friant Water Users association will hold its December meeting tomorrow, Friday, at 12 noon in the Vintage Press, Visalia, with an executive committee meeting set for 10:30 a.m.

## Wool Contest

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state competition at King City. Winners there will go into national competition as California representatives at San Antonio, Texas, January 20.

Other Ducor 4-H girls entering the "Make It Yourself With Wool" contest, all in the sub-deb division, were: Kimberly Keen, third-place; Sandy Lawrence, fourth; and Mary Beth Lawrence, fifth.

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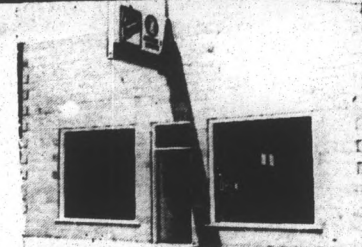
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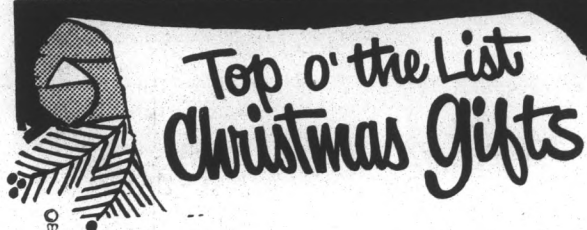
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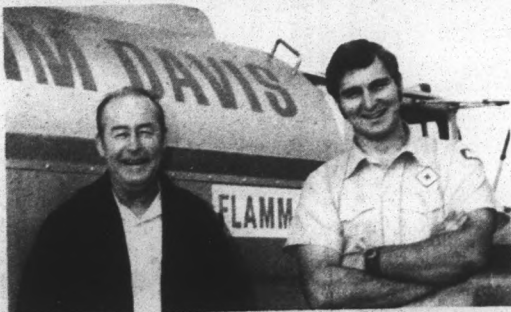
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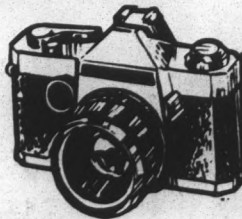
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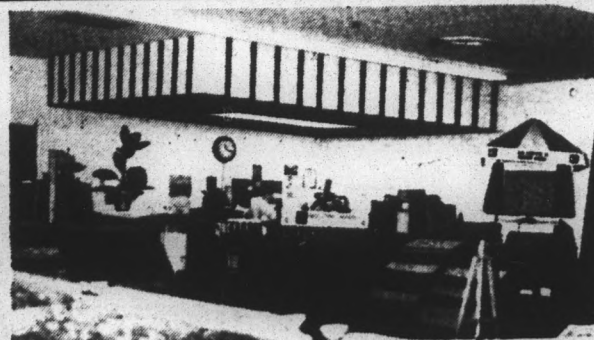


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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Tulare County on November 19, 1974.

**CERTIFICATION**  
I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the original on file in my office.  
JAY C. BAYLESS, County Clerk  
By Ruth Davidson, Deputy  
EXPIRES December 1, 1979  
n28,d5,12,19

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
SUPERIOR COURT  
OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF TULARE  
No. 23790**

Estate of **LARRY L. PHILLIPS, Deceased.**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated December 2, 1974.  
**LETTY MAE PHILLIPS**  
Executrix of the Will of the above named decedent  
Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk  
Attorneys at Law  
141 East Mill Avenue  
Porterville, California 93257  
Telephone: (209) 784-5064  
Attorneys for Executrix  
First publication: December 5, 1974  
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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
SUPERIOR COURT  
OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF TULARE  
No. 23756**

Estate of **O.W. PETERSON, also known as OLE W. PETERSON, Deceased.**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California 93257, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated November 2, 1974.  
**CARL W. PETERSON**  
Executor of the Will of the above named decedent  
Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk  
Attorneys at Law  
141 East Mill Avenue  
Porterville, California 93257  
Telephone: (209) 784-5064  
Attorneys for Executor  
First publication: November 14, 1974.  
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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
SUPERIOR COURT  
OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF TULARE  
No. 23767**

Estate of **BLANCHE S. DEPEW, Deceased.**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law office of Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk, 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, CA 93257, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated November 18, 1974.  
**TOM C. JOHNSON**  
Executor of the Will of the above named decedent  
Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk  
141 East Mill Avenue  
Porterville, CA 93257  
Telephone: (209) 784-5064  
Attorneys for Executor  
First publication: November 21, 1974.  
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## NEW TAX

**SACRAMENTO** — California electric consumers will be paying a new tax starting January 1, 1975, when the Energy Resources Surcharge law becomes effective. The new law, enacted by the 1974 state legislature, imposes a surcharge which initially will be one-tenth of a mill per kilowatt hour on the consumption of electrical energy in California purchased from an electric utility. The tax will be administered by the State Board of Equalization. At the one-tenth of a mill rate the surcharge will add about 8 cents per month to the average residential user's electric bill and will be collected by the utility company.

Persons 18 years of age and older may smoke enough this year to raise United States cigarette consumption four percent above the 1973 record level.

## OUR TOWN

BY RUTH LOYD



Thoughts while washing windows. I really don't mind housework. It has to be done, and I don't know anyone else I could get to do it. Washing windows isn't one of my favorite jobs, but if I want my wreaths to look Christmasy, I have to wash windows... That lady on T.V. and her dirty oven. If I ever let my oven get that dirty, I would throw out the whole stove.

**DON BAIRD** called and asked if I had found a steam engine for our grandchildren. I was intrigued to find out how many men had steam engines, when they were little boys. **DON** and his brothers-in-law, looked everywhere for a steam engine for his father-in-law. **DON** finally found one in Bakersfield. I found a small one here, but I wanted a big one. The one I found in Visalia was a steam roller, but could be converted into all kinds of good things. Nice and sturdy for two little boys and their father. I wish it wasn't wrapped; I would like to see if I could make it run. If I hadn't been a famous columnist, I would like to be a mechanic. I like things that go, but I like to know why they go. In my day ladies didn't learn about things like engines. They didn't learn about turkeys either. I was good with fudge and salads.

**MARTY VOSSLER** works at Smith's Drugs, in her spare time. She sold me a computer, and I have great plans to make my check book balance. I should have asked **MARTY** how to work the thing. It adds nicely, but when it comes to subtracting, I must be doing something wrong. This makes my checkbook very exciting. It says I have lots of money, but I know better. **MARTY** is the only niece I have. She is only my pretend niece, but it is nice to be called Aunt Ruth. When I pick a niece, I pick a smart one.

**GUNNY SHURTZ** and I were decorating a table for "after the performance" at the Barn. I

locked the wrong door, so we couldn't leave because we couldn't lock the rest of the doors. **GUNNY** left me, while she went to call for someone to rescue me. Someone had to stay to see that the whole place wasn't ripped off. I sat in the back row, in the lonely barn, and remembered. The time when the proscenium arch and curtain almost fell on the actors, and **LARRY LASURE** climbed up and held the telephone pole, which was the proscenium arch, in his arms until the act was over. This was at **ANNIE SMITH'S BARN**, where you crawled over plows, farm equipment, and chickens when you came off the stage. Then the time in the turkey shed when the oil stove caught fire, and the actors and audience helped to save everything. The time **NAN LUMLEY** and I were doing a dance, and I looked out at the audience and my son was there covering his eyes. I wasn't a very good dancer, but I was having fun, and he almost died. Enough for memories.

Happiness is having associated with such great people, at the Barn.

## COTTON

**BAKERSFIELD** — Cotton harvest is nearing completion in the San Joaquin valley according to the Agricultural Marketing service. Rain that fell last week delayed picking; most of current ginnings are coming from seed cotton stored in ricks or bins in the fields. **Max B. Medcalf**, officer-in-charge of the Bakersfield Classing office, reported 61,000 samples were classed for the week ending December 6, bringing the season total to 923,000.

## HORSE SHOW

**PORTERVILLE** — About 40 individuals participated in first annual Porterville High School Livestock Club horseshow held recently in the Porterville fair arena.

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### DUCOR 4-H SPONSORS ASIAN ORPHAN

DUCOR - Members of the  
Ducor 4-H club voted at their  
December meeting to sponsor a  
Southeast Asia orphan for a year  
as a community pride project;  
reports on the club's foster child  
will be received during the  
coming year.

In other business Nancy  
Rankins reported that a skating  
party had been postponed until  
February; Mark Flynn reported  
on the club's recent 40th  
anniversary dinner; Jimmy  
Zimmerman reported that a trip  
to Magic Mountain is planned  
during January; and Mike Flynn  
gave a report on club press  
releases.

Project reports were given by  
Corey Wellendorf, Mark Flynn,  
Kirk Swartzlander, Sherry  
Zimmerman, Riana Baxley, and  
Mike Flynn. Debra Todd  
reported on an all-wool contest

## County Group Meets Commitment On "Acres For Scicon;" Final Payment Scheduled Dec. 1, 1975

VISALIA - Last minute  
efforts by three Tulare county  
communities pushed the Acres  
For Scicon drive over the  
\$101,000 needed for the second  
financial commitment.

In a financial statement,  
released from the Acres For  
Scicon committee this week, it  
was noted that a concentrated  
effort by Dinuba, Lindsay and  
Porterville brought in a total of  
\$20,200. Less than two weeks  
ago, the drive was short by more  
than \$20,000.

December 1 date for payment  
of the second installment was  
postponed for two days because  
of necessary paperwork  
involving escrow. Final  
commitment to the Southern  
California land company,  
owning land adjacent to the  
Scicon campus, is set for  
December 1, 1975. Final  
payment amounts to about  
\$96,000 and if met it will end  
the drive started nearly 17  
months ago to acquire adjacent  
acreage to prevent the company  
from subdividing the property  
for private mountain home sites.

Jim Conrad of Woodlake,  
co-chairman along with H.D.  
Lovik, of Visalia, reported the  
following breakdown of  
donations by school community.  
They are listed in the order of

cash amounts contributed and  
not pledges.

Visalia leads with almost  
\$54,000 of the more than  
\$80,000 set as its quota;  
although Tulare has completed  
its drive with more than 110  
percent of its quota, \$52,182  
has been contributed in cash  
with the remainder of the  
\$58,500 still coming in through  
pledges.

Porterville is third with nearly  
\$27,000 of its \$65,500 quota;  
Dinuba has \$13,530 of its  
\$23,500 quota; Cutler-Orosi  
with more than \$5,000 of its  
\$15,000 quota; Earlimart and  
Richgrove have more than  
\$3,400 of its \$8,750 quota;  
Lindsay and Strathmore with  
nearly \$3,300 of their \$18,250  
quota; Woodlake with more than  
\$3,200 of its \$10,500 quota;  
and Exeter has \$1,860 of its  
\$18,750 quota.

Lovik said with this second  
installment, the land company  
has been paid \$174,000  
including the first payment last  
December of \$73,000.  
Contributions leading to next  
December's final payment can  
be given to any school in Tulare  
county or forwarded to P.O.  
Box 3614, Visalia in care of  
"Acres For Scicon." An acre is  
\$250 and is tax deductible.

## SENIOR CITIZENS' TURKEY DINNER IN PHS CAFETERIA DECEMBER 22

PORTERVILLE - Porterville  
Parks & Recreation department  
and various community groups  
within the city will co-sponsor a  
senior citizens' Christmas  
Turkey dinner on Sunday,  
December 22, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00  
p.m. at the Porterville High  
School cafeteria for all persons  
55 and older.

Carolers from the Grand  
Avenue Methodist church will  
stop by at 7:30 p.m. to sing

Christmas carols.

Only persons making a  
reservation will be permitted to  
dine. Those wishing to make a  
reservation may do so by calling  
the City Recreation department,  
784-1400, Ext. 266 or Mrs.  
Rhoadarmer at 784-0455.

Deadline for reservations is  
Wednesday, December 18 at  
5:00 p.m. Admission to the  
dinner will be \$1.00 per person.

### STAFF DOCTOR

PORTERVILLE - Ann  
Butterworth, M.D., has joined  
the medical staff at Porterville  
State hospital. Born in Santa  
Barbara, Dr. Butterworth  
received her baccalaureate in  
chemistry from Vassar College,  
New York; and her M.D. from  
the University of Virginia  
Medical school in Charlottesville,  
Virginia. She interned at Los  
Angeles County General  
hospital.

### HOG IMPORTS

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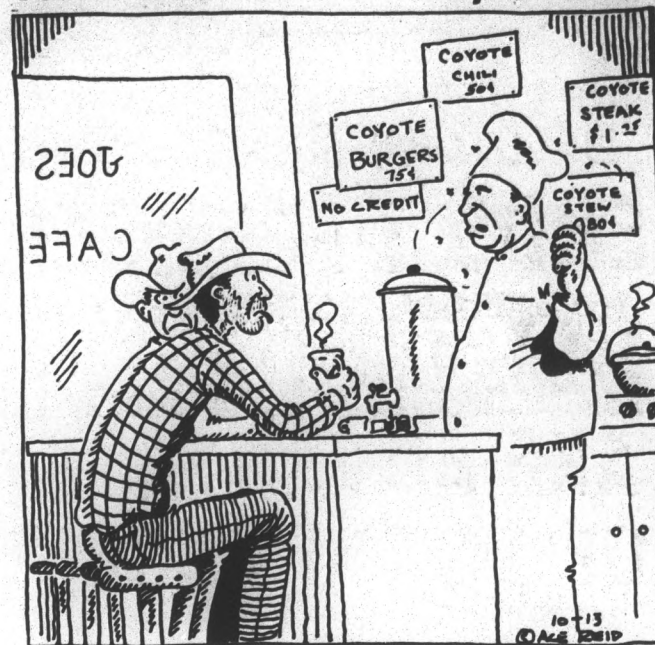
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**Fair Board**

(Continued From Page 1)  
Trimnell completed organization of the 13-member board for production of the 1975 fair, set for May 15, 16, and 17.

Other board members are: Bill Rodgers, president; Joe Faure, vice president; Gerald Lumley, secretary; Mel Carter, treasurer; and Guido Lombardi, Doug Webb, Jim Huesdens, Bob Bennett, George Carter, Wilbert Moench, and Loren Schmid. Term of Chet Gilbert, a member of the original fair board, expired in 1974.

Mel Carter reported at last night's meeting that the 1974 fair showed a profit of \$4,188 and that capital improvements, valued at \$4,200, were completed. Official audit of the 1974 fair is now being made by Earl Reed.

Concerning the fair's exhibit building - constructed some 20 years ago - directors voted to paint the building and "sharpen it up" where possible, but not to spend a major amount of money on it.

Ultimate plan of directors is to construct an entirely new exhibit building, however this project, which had been originally planned for completion prior to the opening of the 1975 fair, is now being held up awaiting outcome of a City of Porterville plan for construction of a convention-type building on the fair grounds location.

Fair directors appeared before the Porterville city council two months ago to request permission to go ahead with new building plans, however this permission was withheld pending outcome of the larger city plan, which the fair would be tied into.

The City of Porterville is involved in the fair since fair facilities are on city property and the fair operates under an agreement with the city.

Fair directors expect to complete department chairmen appointments prior to the January meeting, and preparation of the fair's 1975 premium book is underway.

Porterville Jaycee members, who will again handle sale of commercial exhibit space and program advertising, are planning to "hit the street" shortly after the first of the year.

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